Article 4.02 – Career Advancement CVEA/SEIU Response to City of Chula Proposal 5/9/2013

CVEA/SEIU rejects the City of Chula Vista proposal to limit the progression from entry level to journey positions in a number of job titles. The City proposal would leave the decision to the discretion of the department head. The reasons that the proposal is rejected are as follows:

- 1. No evidence or data was presented indicating that there is an operational or financial problem caused by the current practice.
- 2. The claim that the duties can be exactly the same but the responsibilities may be different, therefore not requiring the progression is a specious claim at best. Once the duties are exactly the same, then it becomes a problematic exercise to show how the responsibilities are different in a meaningful way.
- 3. The City proposal will create the conditions for both perceived and real decisions based on favoritism.
- 4. The City follows the performance evaluation and goals setting format. They already have tools to deny employees advancement if they are not qualified.